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DIES

SUDDENLY OF APOPLEXY.

Dr. Geo. W. Griffiths Passes Away in Louisville.

WAS ONE OF THE MOST PROMINENT AND SUCCESSFUL DOCTORS IN STATE.

WILL BE BURIED SUNDAY.

Dr. George W. Griffiths, one of the most prominent physicians of Louisville, died in that city at 10 o'clock yesterday morning at his home, 833 Third avenue, as the result of a stroke of apoplexy, which he suffered Thursday morning. Every effort was made to revive him after the stroke, but he failed to rally and sank steadily until the end came.

Dr. Griffiths had been a man of robust health, until recently, when his health began to fail and he was compelled to spend a month in the South. It was thought that his health had been much benefited and his sudden death came as a surprise.

For forty years Dr. Griffiths practiced his profession in Louisville, and he was one of the most successful physicians in that city. He had a very large practice and he was also the chief surgeon for the Louisville and Nashville Railroad and the Louisville Railway Company. He was president of the Louisville Clinical Society and was a member of the Kentucky State Medical Society and the American Medical Society. He was at one time a member of the school board and also the Board of Aldermen. He was a member of a number of Fraternal societies.

Besides his wife Dr. Griffiths leaves four daughters, Misses Kate and Edith Griffiths, Mrs. George G. Briggs, of Louisville, and Mrs. Stewart Courtney Spencer, of Ocean Springs, Miss. During the past two years two daughters died, Miss Bessie Griffith and Mrs. I. F. Marcosson, who was formerly Miss Grace Griffiths.

The funeral will be held Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock from the Fourth Avenue Presbyterian church. The services will be conducted by Rev. J. S. Lyone and the burial will be in Cave Hill cemetery.

SETTLEMENT

PROMISED BY RECEIVER

IN EVENT THAT ASSETS OF DEFUNCT INVESTMENT COMPANIES ARE ALLOWED TO BE BROUGHT TO KENTUCKY.

In an effort to obtain possession of all the assets of the defunct Southern Mutual Investment Company, of Kentucky, and the American Reserve Bond Company, of Chicago, James C. Rogers, of Lexington, receiver for the first-named concern, has gone to Chicago, accompanied by his attorney, Col. John R. Allen, where they will try to get an order of court allowing them to bring the property into Kentucky. If successful, they say that the affairs of the company, which have been badly involved for some time, will be speedily wound up. The Southern Mutual Investment Company, a Kentucky corporation, was organized at Lexington several years ago, and it later removed its offices to Chicago and became incorporated under the laws of Illinois as the American Reserve Bond Company. Following this action of the company the Kentucky stockholders applied, before Judge Watts Parker, of Lexington, for a receiver, and Mr. Rogers was appointed. This step was followed by similar action in Chicago by stockholders in other sections of the coun-

try, and Mr. Rogers was appointed receiver by the Chicago court for the American Reserve Bond Company, as the officers of that company were the same who conducted the Kentucky company. While the receiver of the Chicago company was Mr. Rogers, the receiver of the Kentucky company was Mr. Allen. He was able to get full possession of the assets of the company, and he said last night that the situation is now in a fair way for a settlement of these assets. He completed his work in Chicago and is now in Kentucky, and he will wind up the affairs of the company. A majority of the stockholders of both concerns are residents of Kentucky and it is for this reason that the receiver has made efforts to get all of the assets into one State in order more fully to carry out the duties of receiver.

DOING NICELY.

Mr. L. H. Finnell, who has been at the Norton Infirmary for the past ten days, where he had a serious operation performed, is doing very nicely. He was able to sit up for a while on yesterday, and his physicians think he will be well enough to return home shortly.

"JIM" NEWMAN

ACCEPTS GOOD POSITION ON THE CINCINNATI ENQUIRER.

Mr. James L. Newman, of this city, who represented the Courier-Journal and Louisville Times in this city for ten years, and later held a fine position on the St. Louis Republic, has accepted a position on the Cincinnati Enquirer and will make that city his future home.

Frankfort has produced many excellent newspaper boys, but we believe that Jim Newman holds the list of the ones that have "made good." There is no one who has more friends in Frankfort than Jim Newman and the favors he has done them will long be remembered. Frankfort is very proud of the success he has made thus far and we predict for him a most brilliant future in his new home.

CAMPAIGN

TO INCREASE MEMBERSHIP.

JUNIOR MEMBERS OF Y. M. C. A. WILL HELP PAY OFF DEBT.

A meeting of the younger members of the Y. M. C. A. will be held Monday evening for the purpose of arranging for a campaign for new members. Realizing the strained condition of the institution at present, the junior members have agreed to put their shoulders to the wheel and assist in the work of paying off the large indebtedness. All young men who are interested in the Y. M. C. A. are requested to be present.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Rev. J. R. Zeigler, Pastor. Services may be expected Sunday, April 12, as follows:

9:45 a. m.—Sunday-school.
10 o'clock—Brotherhood Bible Class. Subject: "Balaam the Unwilling Prophet." Leader, Mr. George Harper.

11:00 o'clock—Morning worship, with sermon by the pastor. Subject: "The Triumphant Entry."

6:45 p. m.—League meeting in the lecture room. Miss Lillian Poyntz will lead. Mr. John Milam will speak on "Mormons and Mormonism."

7:30—Evening worship, with sermon by the pastor. Subject—"Remember Lot's Wife."

You will be welcome at each of these services.

Frankfort friends of Mrs. Ben Watt have received word that she will shortly join her husband in Oklahoma. Mrs. Watt says that her husband is much pleased with his prospects.

TAFT

ACCORDED HONOR TO THE BIG SECRETARY.

DISCUSSES NATIONAL ISSUES BEFORE A PACKED AUDIENCE AT HOPKINS THEATRE.

DELEGATION FROM HERE.

Hon. William H. Taft, Secretary of War and candidate for the Republican nomination for President of the United States, spoke to a packed house last night at Hopkins Theatre, in Louisville. The big secretary was introduced by Col. Morris B. Belknap, former Republican nominee for Governor of Kentucky, and he was enthusiastically applauded by his admirers who flocked to Louisville from every quarter of the State to hear him.

Secretary Taft arrived in Louisville yesterday afternoon and he was kept on the move from the time he arrived until after the speaking and the Louisville people, regardless of politics, did all in their power to show him that he was welcome in their midst.

His speech was confined to national issues which he discussed in detail and from time to time he was vociferously applauded by his admirers.

The War Secretary was accompanied by his special escort of prominent up-State Republicans, headed by State Chairman R. P. Ernst, of Covington, and the delegation of Republicans from Louisville that went to meet the distinguished guest, of which William Marshall Bullitt was the spokesman.

The train bearing the distinguished American stopped at Crescent avenue and Judge Taft was welcomed by the following Reception committee: H. P. Reager, C. C. Green, Walter A. Franz, Col. Morris Belknap, Clayton B. Blakey, George A. Newman, Jr., C. C. Stoll, C. L. Scholl, H. H. McCulloch, John H. Brand, R. A. McDowell, Dr. T. H. Baker, Dr. I. N. Bloom, Alfred Selligman, E. J. Ashcraft, James Ross Todd, Carl Wiseman, F. C. Nunemacher, Judge Wheeler McGee, Mark H. Gahhart, Ed Geren, Gilbert Cowan, Judge George DuRelle and Postmaster R. E. Woods.

Col. J. H. Haager, Chief of Police, was also present with a detail of six mounted policemen.

As soon as they disembarked from the train, Judge Taft and his party and the members of the Reception Committee boarded ten automobiles in waiting, and the whirl in Cherokee Park and the route through the city began.

While waiting for Judge Taft's arrival Dr. I. N. Bloom, who graduated from Yale College in the same class with Secretary Taft, received a telegram from the latter conveying the news that the War Secretary would certainly attend the class reunion to be held at New Haven, Conn., on June 30.

Chairman R. P. Ernst, of the Republican State Central Committee, said that he told Judge Taft on the trip to Louisville from Covington that the War Secretary would surely receive the twenty-six votes of Kentucky at the Republican National Convention to be held in Chicago. Mr. Ernst added that he was certain that his prediction would be fulfilled. He said Judge Taft expressed gratification over the news and the outlook in Kentucky, and was sure of being nominated for President on the first ballot at the Chicago convention.

Judge Taft was introduced to a number of Democrats at the Barr home, where the party stopped for a few minutes. He said a number of his dearest friends were Democrats, and that the term "Democrat" was now only a "historical designation." Judge Taft said it gave him the utmost pleasure to come to Kentucky, where he numbered a host of per-

sonal friends on the bench and among the members of the bar. After refreshments had been served at the Barr home, Judge Taft and party started on their way through the city.

They gathered in the neighborhood of the streets to Secretary Taft. The vicinity were crowded by people eager to catch a glimpse of the noted American. In the hostelry an enthusiastic crowd of five hundred enthusiastic Republicans had gathered to shake Judge Taft's hand. He was given a rousing welcome when he stepped into the lobby.

Mayor James F. Grimstead, who was unable to meet the train in Crescent hill owing to official duties, arrived at the Galt House shortly after the arrival of Judge Taft. He was accompanied by his private secretary, Paul Burlingame.

Col. Bennett H. Young called upon Secretary Taft at the reception given him at the Galt House this afternoon. In greeting him Col. Young remarked to the distinguished visitor:

"Mr. Secretary, God forbid that we ever have another Republican President, but if we are overtaken with that misfortune again may heaven grant that he will be William Howard Taft."

Their political differences aside, Judge Taft and Col. Young are old-time friends, as the result of their association when the War Secretary was a member of the United States Circuit Court of Appeals which sits at Cincinnati. At a former visit to Louisville, Judge Taft stopped as a guest at Col. Young's house.

Although his mission was purely political, Democrats as well as Republicans are glad that Secretary Taft was to be Louisville's guest and he was accorded every mark of honor, courtesy and respect that a patriotic and hospitable people delight to show to one of the nation's really big men. Republicans from the State vied with the Taft men in Louisville in doing honor to the Secretary. As a result of the visit of the Ohio candidate the Taft managers hope to capture the State from the Fairbanks men who now have a complete and thorough understanding with the Hughes followers.

William Marshall Bullitt, H. H. McCulloch and sheriff Charles Scholl left Louisville last night for Cincinnati, where they were joined by State Chairman Richard P. Ernst. The quartet took the Secretary of War in tow early this morning in the Queen City and accompanied him to Louisville, leaving the train at Crescent Hill at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon. In Crescent Hill John H. Brand, R. A. McDowell, Col. Morris B. Belknap, H. P. Reager, Thomas H. Baker, George A. Newman, Jr., Clayton B. Blakey, Richard W. Knott, Judge J. Wheeler McGee and Dr. I. N. Bloom were waiting in automobiles to take charge of the favorite in the big race. Dr. Bloom was a classmate of the Secretary at Yale and they were graduated together. The doctor "knows Bill like a book" and has been for him for President ever since he was Judge of the United States Circuit Court at Cincinnati.

The party proceeded through Stilz's lane to the Workhouse road, and thence through McFerran Place to the residence of John W. Barr, Jr., where, according to the Secretary's expressed desire, he paid a short call on the members of the Barr family, whom he has known for years. After a ride through Eastern Park and over the "Belknap Bridge," the procession of automobiles came down Broadway to Fourth Avenue, north on Fourth to Market; east on Market to Second; north on Second to Main; and East on Main to the Galt House, where the Secretary is holding a public reception in the lobby of the hotel. After the reception an informal dinner was tendered the Secretary, at which all the members of the Republican Committee, and a few specially invited guests, were present.

NEW POSITION.

Frankfort friends of Mr. S. R. Ramsey, who was formerly city editor of the Kentucky State Journal, will be much interested to learn that he has accepted the city editorship of the Roanoke Virginia Times. Until recently, Mr. Ramsey has been on the Landmark, at Norfolk, Va. He is a newspaper man of extraordinary ability, and the success he has won has gratified, without surprising, his friends.

Pleasing particular people in printing is one of our specialties.

VIGILANCE

PREVENTED ATTACK AT MURRAY

According To Advices From Calloway County.

GREAT EXCITEMENT IN TOWN AND EXTRA TROOPS HURRIED TO THE SCENE.

JAIL CLOSELY GUARDED.

At Murray, Ky., excitement prevailed early Thursday night as the result of the arrival of a large number of people from the county during the afternoon. They came on horseback, in buggies and on foot and the indications were that something was going to be pulled off when darkness arrived.

The county authorities held a hurried conference with Capt. J. L. Given of Company H., and it was decided to call for re-enforcements. Major Albrecht, of the Second regiment, was wired at Hopkinsville to dispatch another detachment of soldiers on the first train. Picking thirteen of the best men of Company E., of Whitesburg, he sent them on the train, arriving at Paducah at 4 p. m. At Paducah they caught the accommodation on the Nashville, Chattanooga, and St. Louis and reached Murray at 8 o'clock. The squad was in command of Lieut. Caudill. By the time Murray was reached the town had filled up with strangers.

Capt. Givens lost no time in putting out a large patrol on all sides and on all the roads leading into town. As fast as a crowd assembled on the streets it was dispersed by the soldiers.

At 10 o'clock the crowd began leaving and when the midnight hour arrived not a soul was on the street but soldiers.

The report got out that night riders and their friends were mobilizing to liberate the seven alleged night riders placed in jail yesterday.

A heavy guard was thrown around the jail before darkness set in and was maintained all night.

The vigilance of the soldiers is believed to have prevented an attack on the jail. The authorities say they anticipated no trouble, but that they became alarmed is evident from the fact that they asked for re-enforcements.

Yesterday the town was as tame as a lamb. Men are sitting around in stores and on dry goods boxes discussing the excitement of Thursday night and the probable outcome of the charges against the seven men in jail.

Not one of the seven has engaged counsel and they have intimated to no one what will be their defense. It is believed they will waive examination, as Circuit Court convenes Monday. Judge Wells has a stack of evidence to submit against the men.

The drawing of the grand jury will be watched closely by Judge Wells and his supporters for law and order. On the list from which the grand jury is to be drawn is one man said to be a friend of the night riders.

All of the seven men are still in jail. Some of them tried hard to give bond, but failed, and have quit trying.

Judge Wells was asked this morning why the bonds of Jack Elkins, Hardin Lovett and Jake Ellis were \$500 more than the other four. He said warrants were to be issued against them in another case and he put the bonds high enough to cover both. The cases in which they are charged with having participated are the whipping of Frank Mardis, Al H. Perry and Willie Dwyer. Mardis and Perry were beaten until the blood streamed from their backs and legs. The mob called at the home of Dwyer for the purpose of whipping him, but he was found to be ill and was let off with a warning to cease talking and get into the association.

Only two of the seven prisoners belong to the tobacco association. They are Hardin Lovett and Jake Ellis, a blacksmith residing near Russell's

Chapel. Ellis has not raised any tobacco for two years. The prisoners say they are not guilty.

It was expected that farmers in sympathy with the night riders would come to their aid, but not a man has offered his signature to a bond. The county authorities claim this indicates that the sentiment in the county is large in favor of law and order.

ATTORNEY TAPP

Arrives in Frankfort To Argue The Case of Caleb Powers.

Attorney Sidney C. Tapp, of Atlanta, Ga., who will argue the case of Caleb Powers before Gov. A. E. Willson today, arrived in the city yesterday and spent a great deal of his time in the State Library, looking up the laws bearing on the case.

RAPIDLY IMPROVING.

Mrs. John Griffin, who has been at St. Joseph's Hospital, for several months, was able to leave the institution this week, and is now visiting her mother in Louisville.

Bishop Lewis W. Burton, of Lexington, will conduct the services Easter Sunday at the Episcopal church and will confirm a class of about twelve.

DR. ADAMS

STILL UNDECIDED.

WILL MAKE ANOTHER VISIT TO JACKSON BEFORE HE COMES TO DEFINITE DECISION.

Rev. M. B. Adams has not yet decided whether or not he will accept the call to the First Baptist church at Jackson, Tenn., and he will likely not give out his final decision for two weeks.

Asked last night about the matter he said that recent developments at Jackson might necessitate his going to that city again before he will be able to come to a definite decision.

Dr. Adams will likely go to Jackson next week and on his return it is expected that he will have come to a decision.

HARGIS

HEARING FOR BAIL 'BEGINS.

MOTHER SITS NEAR THE YOUNG PATRICIDE—DEFENSE GIVES ITS TESTIMONY.

Circuit Judge Adams arrived at Jackson yesterday at noon from Beattyville to hear the motion for bail in the case of Beech Hargis. At 1 o'clock Judge Adams ordered the young patricide brought from the jail. The young man looks to be in the best of health.

As on former occasions, the mother was seated by her son, with the attorney, Col. T. T. Cope, of the local bar, who has also been retained by the defense.

At 1 o'clock, the defense announced ready, and as soon thereafter as the Commonwealth could call its witnesses, they announced ready.

The introduction of evidence was then begun by the defense.

GIRL TOO YOUNG

Garrard County Lovers Forced to Return Home on Refusal of License.

Mr. O. K. Simpson and Miss Jennie Bogle left Danville sorely disappointed. They came there from Tattersville, Garrard county, for the purpose of getting married, but when application was made for marriage license the prospective bride admitted that she was but nineteen years of age and she looked even younger. When refused the necessary document they decided to return home and take on a little more age.

NEW EDITOR.

H. S. Needman, for years associate editor of the Williamstown Courier, has become editor-in-chief. His father, Tim Needman, is owner, publisher and business manager.